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Dear Tim,

Thank you for your letter dated 8 October on behalf of the Prison Service Pay Review Body for the remit groups in the Northern Ireland Prison Service, which I now invite you to publish.

This was delayed until the outcome of the October monitoring round was known, at which stage departments were asked to prioritise pay settlements. Officials are working to ensure arrears are paid in salaries at the end of January.

These recommendations meet a range of important priorities including reducing differentials, addressing low pay, and meeting the NI Executive commitment on paying the Voluntary Living Wage. They also assist NIPS in delivering their pay strategy. I would like to extend my thanks to you, members of the Prison Service Pay Review Body and your team for their support and co-operation throughout and I understand officials have liaised on publication.

I will be writing to you in due course with an activation letter for the 2025 pay round.



**NAOMI LONG MLA**  
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